

		Attorney's Docket Number
		040894-7468
<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 371</b>		U.S. Application No.
International Application. No.	International Filing Date	Unassigned <b>10/585736</b>
PCT/JP2005/000245	January 12, 2005	Priority Date Claimed
		January 13, 2004

**Title of Invention:** STAPLER

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1.  This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371.
2.  This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371.
3.  This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. § 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. § 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(I).
4.  A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5.  A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(2))
  - a.  is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b.  is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6.  **A copy of the International Application as filed has been transmitted by the International Bureau.**
7.  A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(2)).
8.  Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3)).
  - a.  are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b.  have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c.  have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d.  have not been made and will not be made.
9.  A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3)).
10.  An oath or declaration of the inventors (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(4)).
11.  A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(5)).

**Items 12. to 15. below concern other document(s) or information included:**

12.  An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98.
13.  An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.28 and § 3.31 is included.
14.  A FIRST preliminary amendment.
15.  A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
- Other items or information:
  - PCT/RO/101
  - PCT/ISA/210 (International Search Report)
  - PCT/ISA/220
  - PCT/ISA/237
  - PCT/IB/301
  - PCT/IB/304
  - PCT/IB/308

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16.  The following fees are submitted:  
 Basic National Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):

**NATIONAL STAGE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = \$300.00**

Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than

20  30 months from the earliest claimed priority date  
 (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(e)).

\$ 0.00

Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	4 - 20 =	0	X \$50.00	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	1 - 3 =	0	X \$200.00	\$ 0.00
Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)			+ \$360.00	\$ 0.00
Application Size Fee - \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets that exceeds 100				\$ 0.00
Search Fee			\$500.00/\$400.00/\$100.00	\$ 400.00
Examination Fee			\$200.00	\$ 200.00
			<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 900.00</b>
			Reduction by ½ for filing by small entity, if applicable.	
			Verified Small Entity statement must also be filed. (Note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)	-\$0.00
			<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>	<b>\$ 900.00</b>
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later				
than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(f)).				+\$ 0.00
			<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>	<b>\$ 900.00</b>
			Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h)).	
			The Assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet	
			(37 C.F.R. §§ 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property	\$ 40.00
			<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>	<b>\$ 940.00</b>
			Amount to be refunded	\$ 0.00
			Amount to be charged	\$ 940.00

- a.  A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- b.  Please charge my Deposit Account No. 50-0310 in the amount of **\$940.00** to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- c.  Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

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